

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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Day Care Centres

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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of day care centres being run by the Government along with the funds allocated/released therefor during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government plans to increase the number of day care centres in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there has been any assessment of the need for more day care centres, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether proposals from various State Governments including those from the North Eastern States are pending with the Union Government for release of funds for day care centres;
- (e) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for such pendency, State/UT-wise and
- (f) the time by which the said proposals are likely to be cleared and funds to be released by the Union Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI MANEKA SANJAY GANDHI)

(a) The Ministry is implementing the Rajiv Gandhi National Crèche Scheme (RGNCS) for the children of working mothers which provide day care facilities to children of working mothers. The scheme is presently being implemented throughout the country through Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB) and Indian Council for Child Welfare (ICCW). Grants under the scheme are released to the Implementing Agencies and not to the State Government. The funds are further disbursed by the Implementing Agencies to their State Councils/Boards/ Non-Governmental Organisations.

State/UT-wise number of creches under RGNCS for the last three years are available in the Annual Reports of the Ministry for the respective years. The copies of these Reports are available in Library of Lok Sabha Secretariat and also available on Ministry's website www.wcd.nic.in. State/UT-wise number of creches under RGNCS for current year in respect of CSWB and ICCW are at Annexure-I (a) and I(b) respectively.

State/UT-wise funds allocated/released by CSWB under RGNCS for the last three years are available in the Annual Reports of the Ministry for the respective years. The copies of these Reports are available in Library of Lok Sabha Secretariat and also available on Ministry's website www.wcd.nic.in. State/UT-wise funds allocated/released by CSWB for current year is at Annexure-II. State/UT-wise funds allocated/released by ICCW for last three years and current year is at Annexure-III.

As per information furnished by the Department of Posts, 5 crèches for children of Government employees has been established. Funds are released as part of the grant-in-aid from the Central Welfare Fund to the Circle Welfare Fund to Support various welfare initiatives including establishment and running expenses of crèches. The recurring grants-in-aid is admissible @ Rs. 2655/- per month per crèche. The admissible amount of support of 5 crèches is Rs. 1.59 lakhs per annum and Rs. 6.37 lakhs for the last three financial year and the current financial year.

As per information furnished by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, the Ministry is implementing a plan Scheme of Integrated Programme for Older Persons(IPOP), under which financial assistance, in the form of grant-in-aid is given to Panchayati Raj Institutions/Local Bodies, Non-Governmental Voluntary Organizations, Institutions of Organizations set up by Government Recognized Educational Institutions, Charitable Hospitals/Nursing Homes, and Recognized Youth Organizations such as Nehru Yuvak Kendra Sanghathan (NYKS) etc for running and maintenance of inter-alia, Old Age Homes, Day Care Centres, Mobile Medicare Units etc. In exceptional cases such financial assistance is also provided to the State Governments/UT administrations. However, no proposal from the State Governments for seeking financial assistance under the Scheme has been received in this Ministry till date. As such, no funds are being allocated to the Day Care Centres run by the Government at present.

As per information furnished by Department of Personnel & Training (DOPT), DOPT runs 13 creches through Grih Kalyan Kendra in Delhi, Faridabad, NOIDA and Jaipur. These creches are being run as welfare measure to Central Government employees and their dependents.

(b) to (d) No, Madam.

(e) to (f) Does not arise.
